

T O R R A N C E

Press Release
Police Department

**Major Traffic Collision
Potential Fatality
Incident # 060022481**

On 8/11/06 at approx. 9:26 PM, Officers of the Torrance Police Department received a call of a traffic collision in the 20500 block of Anza Avenue.

Upon arrival, officers discovered a major traffic collision had occurred involving a 1997 Hyundai coupe that was traveling N/B on Anza when it collided into the rear of a double-parked 2002 Nissan SUV. The Hyundai rolled as a result of the collision, partially ejecting the female driver and sole occupant, and causing major injuries. The driver's identity is being withheld pending notification of next of kin. The driver was treated by Torrance Fire Department paramedics and was transported to Little Company of Mary Hospital where she was listed in extremely critical condition.

The driver of the parked Nissan sustained minor head injuries and was treated at the scene and released.

Both vehicles sustained major damage and a third, unoccupied vehicle received minor damage. Witness statements and the investigation indicate driver intoxication may have contributed to the cause of the collision.

Anza Avenue was closed to vehicle traffic between Garnet and Spencer from 9:30 PM to 12:30 AM during the investigation.

The collision is being investigated by the Traffic and Special Events Division, Commanded by Captain Marc Wilkins. Any potential witnesses to the collision are asked to contact Traffic Investigator T. Tokle at (310) 618-5557.

Sgt. S. Bock